



# PEARSON RANCH MS ORCHESTRA SUPPLY LIST FOR FIRST YEAR PLAYERS

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## ALL PLAYERS NEED:

1. [Soft cloth](#) – for cleaning instrument (many rentals will already include this in the case)
2. [Folding music stand](#)
3. [Metronome/Tuner – Korg TM-60C or similar \(this is a tuner/metronome combo with a microphone clip\)](#)
4. [Orchestra-dedicated Black binder 1" with View Panel](#)
  - o Solid black, 1 inch, 3-ring, view binder with blank white piece of paper in view panel
  - o Binder should have inside of it: a pencil bag, four dividers, two pencils, and one highlighter (any color)
5. [Method Books 1-3 For Your Specific Instrument-](#) (Except for Harp)
  - o Essential Elements for Strings, Bk 1 (2000)
  - o Essential Elements for Strings, Bk 2 (2000)
  - o Essential Technique (Book 3)

## VIOLIN PLAYERS NEED:

6. Good Quality Rented Violin (with fine tuners) and Bow (wooden bow with real horsehair is preferred)
  - o Make sure the case has a name tag on it. Luggage tags work great
  - o [Rosin – Dark or light rosin available](#)
  - o Correct Size Shoulder Rest: Brand Everest or Kun (can be attained at music store)

## VIOLA PLAYERS NEED:

6. Good Quality Rented Viola (with fine tuners) and Bow (wooden bow with real horsehair is preferred)
  - o Make sure the case has a name tag on it. Luggage tags work great!
  - o [Rosin – Dark or light rosin available](#)
  - o Correct Size Shoulder Rest: Brand Everest or Kun (can be attained at music store)

## CELLO PLAYERS NEED:

6. Good Quality Rented Home Cello (with fine tuners) and Bow (wooden bow with real horsehair is preferred)
  - o Make sure the case has a name tag on it. Luggage tags work great!
  - o [Rosin – Dark or light rosin available](#)
  - o [Cello endpin anchor](#) (Xeros brand works well)
  - o A chair or stool with a flat seat, that allows the student to sit comfortably on the edge of the chair. While seated, the child's hips should be at the same level as the knees (a 90 degree angle). Hips can be SLIGHTLY higher than knees. The chair or stool may not have arm rests.
  - o [Yearly shared classroom instrument rental fee from RRISD for \\$25.00](#)

## STRING BASS PLAYERS NEED:

6. Good Quality Bass German Bow for Rent (optional)
  - o [Rosin – "Pops"](#) brand recommended
  - o [24" wooden stool](#) for at-home practice- for students on a 1/8, 1/4, or 1/2 size bass
  - o [29" wooden stool](#) for at-home practice- for students on a 3/4 size bass
  - o [Bass Endpin anchor](#) (Xeros brand works well)
  - o [Yearly rental fee from RRISD for \\$50.00 per instrument rented \(2\)](#)

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**IMPORTANT FOR ALL FAMILIES:** We do not recommend that any students purchase an instrument until they have reached the full size of their instrument and have at least an intermediate level of playing ability. DO NOT BUY AN INSTRUMENT SIGHT UNSEEN from any internet vendor such as Amazon, ebay, etc. These instruments will seem like a good deal, but will be of low quality and make learning to play extremely difficult and unfulfilling

# LOCAL STRING SPECIALTY SHOPS

When visiting local shops, ask the associates to size arm and height for proper outfitting.  
All Students must be sized



Antonio Strad Violin- San Antonio  
[www.stradviolin.com/round-rock-isd](http://www.stradviolin.com/round-rock-isd)  
(1-800-284-9788)



Blackerby Violin Shop - North Austin;  
<https://www.violinshop.com>  
512-469-9343



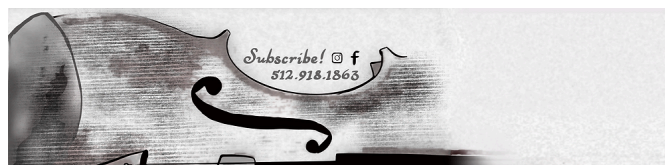
Music & Arts - Round Rock  
[www.musicarts.com](http://www.musicarts.com)  
(512) 255-0558



Strait Music - Cedar Park  
[www.straitmusic.com](http://www.straitmusic.com)  
(512) 918-3743



Terra Nova Violins - North Austin  
<https://www.terranovaviolins.com>  
(512) 640-4072



Austin Strings - North Austin  
<https://www.austinstrings.com>  
(512) 918-1863

There is a very small inventory of school-owned instruments available for rentals at PRMS for families who qualify for free/reduced lunch or who may be experiencing financial hardships.

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